

## BASKET BALL GAMES

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in 4, Hyde, 1 in 2. Score ending 13-6 favor of the Sophs.

Second half, field baskets, H. Schultz, 3, Nesbit, 1, Cole, 1, Spinnery, 3, Fouts, W. Schultz, 1 in 1, H. Schultz, 1 in 3, Friedman, 0 in 3, Hyde, 2 in 4. Final score, 25-14.

William Schultz started in making baskets from a long distance. He would shoot the ball almost any place on the floor and usually come within a very few inches of the basket if he did not put the ball through. Spinnery was more accurate in his baskets making them on the jump and getting rid of the ball quickly. All of the players showed up well and a good college team could be chosen from the four teams that would make any team in the state sit up and take notice.

### POSTAL SAVINGS BANKS TAKE LARGER DEPOSITS.

The limit of individual deposits in postal savings banks will be increased from \$500 to \$1,000 under the terms of a bill which the senate committee on postoffices and post roads will report favorably.

### ADVERTISED LETTERS.

Alma, Mich., Jan. 19, 1914.

Advertised list for the week ending January 19, 1914.

Miss J. Fenner (two).  
Mr. Mandania Gasaway.  
Fred Grover.  
Mrs. Josie Irish.  
Mr. Maik Janicki.  
Otto G. Roberts.  
Robert Turner.

The above if not called for will be sent to the Dead Letter office February 2nd, 1914.

C. F. BROWN, Postmaster.

### Legal Notices.

#### ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING CLAIMS.

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.  
At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 2nd day of January, 1914.

Present: J. Lee Potts, Judge.  
In the matter of the estate of Addie VanValkenburg, deceased.  
The above estate having been admitted to Probate and Bartlett VanValkenburg of Alma, Michigan, appointed executor thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Saturday, the 2nd day of May next at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.  
A true copy.  
Belle Jenne, Clerk of Probate. 181814

State of Michigan—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.  
At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 20th day of December, 1912.

Present: J. Lee Potts, Judge.  
In the matter of the estate of Lyman C. Cahoon, deceased.  
Charles Roe Hoffman, having filed in said court his petition praying that the administrator of said be authorized and directed to convey certain real estate in pursuance of certain contract made by said deceased in his lifetime.

It is ordered, That the 20th day of January A.D., 1914, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, That notice thereof be given by the publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF GRATIOT.  
At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 16th day of January 1914.

Present: J. Lee Potts, Judge.  
In the matter of the estate of Alfred Holmes and Nancy J. Cohoon deceased.

Ralph Richardson having filed in said court his petition praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of their death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized, respectively.

It is ordered, That the 16th day of February 1914, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.  
A true copy.  
Belle Jenne, Clerk of Probate.  
First insertion Jan. 22.

ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING CLAIMS.  
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 14th day of January 1914.

Present: J. Lee Potts, Judge.  
In the matter of the estate of Mary Allon, deceased.  
The above estate having been admitted to probate and P. W. Cresser, of Alma, Mich., appointed administrator thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Thursday, the 18th day of May, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in The Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.



### SURFACE DRAINAGE OF ROADS

Crown of a Road Should Be Sufficient to Shed Water Rapidly—Recommendation From Iowa.

(By PROF. J. R. DAVIDSON, Iowa State Agricultural College.)

The roads should be provided with surface drainage. The cross section should be of such a shape as to shed all rain at once to the side ditches. To do this, the road must be oval or have a crown, must be smooth. The first of these is a matter of construction, and the latter of maintenance. The side drainage system should be called upon to carry as much water as possible. Water cannot be carried away by the tile drains until the water has sunk through the soil and softened it.

The crown of a road should be sufficient to shed the water readily. If the road is to be maintained and kept free from ruts and holes, less crown will do than if the road is to be neglected. The Iowa Highway commission recommended a slope one inch to one foot for a crown in the traveled way. This is sufficient for most conditions. The crown should



Well Laid Drain for Hill Road.

not be too great. A steep crown causes the travel to be concentrated at the center, where ruts will be worn and washing result. Again there is some difficulty in vehicles passing. On the side of the crown the wheels of the vehicles have tendency to grind the road down. The tops of the wheels are nearer the gutter than the bottoms. This action, together with the swerving or flow action of the lower part of the wheel, has a very marked effect.

The steeper the slope of the road the more important the crown, for there is a tendency for the water to run down the track rather than to the side. If water once begins to run down the center of the roadway it is but a short time until the road is gullied out.

### UPKEEP OF AN EARTH ROAD

Problem of Maintenance Solved Very Largely by Use of the So-Called Split-Log Drag.

(By H. R. FLINT.)

The earth road will doubtless be commonly used in rural communities for many years because of its low first cost. The ever recurring problem of upkeep of such a road can be solved very largely by the use of the so-called split-log drag.

Anyone who can use tools reasonably well can build one of these drags at a cost of four or five dollars for labor and material. Very few tools are required in making the drag, and its use is as simple and cheap as its construction. If desired, metal drags can be purchased at a somewhat greater cost from manufacturers of road machinery.

Careful use of the drag on a road that is already in reasonably good condition will almost entirely prevent trouble from ruts, mud holes, or dust, and give good service at a low cost.

### Good Roads and Distance.

The roads cannot be kept in too good a condition. If every farmer would keep up the roads adjoining his land the means of travel would be better. This is not only true for the automobiles, but for all kinds and means of locomotion. Good roads lessen the distance to town and make it possible for all kinds of products to be marketed at any time of the year.

The time will come when every road in the country of any importance will be of cement. The sooner the better. The county governments have spent enough money in the last 20 years on the roads to build good cement roads over all the principal thoroughfares within their borders.

### North County Line

Michael Millet spent the past week in Ann Arbor.

Thomas Connelly returned from Ann Arbor Saturday.

Mrs. M. Millet called at Thomas Connelly's Thursday.

Mrs. Charles Egan from Canada is visiting relatives here.

John Fox left Monday to continue his studies at Ferris Institute.

Mrs. Frank Desmond who has been very low the past week is recovering.

Quite a crowd from this way went to the horse sale in Shepherd Saturday.

A number from this vicinity attended the dance at Crawford Friday night.

The Misses Margaret and Katherine O'Brien spent last Saturday with their uncle, Ed. Duggan.

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### St. Louis News Items

Mrs. E. Kane of St. Louis is visiting her son in Ithaca.

Mrs. George Coleman and daughter, Hazel, of Ithaca, visited with Mrs. A. Reed of St. Louis Monday.

Mrs. E. O. Bradley of Elsie returned to her home Monday after a week's visit with her parents in St. Louis.

E. C. Baum and wife went to Saginaw Monday. Mr. Baum is now connected with the Michigan Casualty company.

David Mulford was in Ithaca Friday on business.

Mrs. F. J. Tucker visited at J. B. Tucker's in Ithaca Friday.

H. A. Clow and wife are visiting friends in Jackson this week.

Ben Bennett and wife of near Crystal visited at Fill Hicks Sunday.

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George Clow and family are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Clow.

William Fowler and wife are visiting her brothers, Messrs. Nelson of Saginaw this week.

Quite a merry load of people from here attended the dance at Crystal Friday night. They report a good time.

Mrs. Philip Hicks was called to Ferris Sunday to help care for her little grandson, Arvard Hicks, who was badly burned with hot water.

Peter Kleese and wife installed the officers of Riverdale Grange last Wednesday night. A sleighload of Summer Grangers accompanied them.

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### Wheeler School

Editor-in-Chief, Ethel Dancer.

Assistant Editors, Lila Rich, Edmund Wolfgang, Gladys Coleman.

Ethel Street visited school Monday morning.

The High school room-is having semester tests this week.

The High school room has a new drawing on the blackboard.

Miss Isabelle Davis visited school last Wednesday afternoon.

Clarence Hall was absent from school one day last week.

Master William Piper visited the primary room Monday noon.

The primary room has several winter scenes drawn upon the blackboard.

Misses Viva Hillock and Olive Shaw visited school last Friday afternoon.

Misses Viva Hillock and Myrtle Easlick visited school last Friday afternoon.

Alberta Stowe, Emma Phelps and Grace Hall were absent from school last Monday.

The primary room are having a study about the Eskimo. They have a study also in the sand-table.

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